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COMPARISON OF USSR GRAIN OUTPUT WITH  
CIA ESTIMATES DURING THE CROP YEAR

million metric tons

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>FIRST ESTIMATE</u> (month published)	<u>FINAL ESTIMATE*</u>	<u>ANNOUNCED USSR HARVEST</u>	<u>ESTIMATE ERROR</u>	
				<u>FIRST ESTIMATE</u> (percent)	<u>FINAL ESTIMATE</u> (percent)
1974	190 (Jun)	195 (Oct)	195.7	-3	-0.4
1975	220 (Apr)	152.5 (Nov)**	140.1	+57	+9
1976	195 (Jun)	205 (Oct)	223.8	-13	-8
1977	225 (Jul)	217.5 (Oct)**	195.5	+15	+11

\* Estimate closest to the end of the crop year.

\*\* Midpoint of estimate range.

NOTE: Beginning in 1974, the estimates incorporated data derived from satellite imagery and agronomically based crop models.

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